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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated March 28, 2002, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to July 28, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. An ultrasonic cleaning apparatus which cleans a subject to be cleaned by utilizing oscillation generated by an ultrasonic oscillator, comprising:

a power amplifier for amplifying an amplitude of a signal to supply the signal as power to said ultrasonic oscillator;

a detector for detecting a state of said ultrasonic oscillator; and

